David Myatt, Savitri Devi, And Those Above Time

In 1958 the esoteric Hitlerite Savitri Devi published a book titled *The Lightning And the Sun*, {1} in which she expounded her belief that there were three fundamental types of influential men in human history. She termed these types "in Time", "against Time" and "above Time" giving as examples of those types Genghis Khan, Adolf Hitler, and Akhnaton.

Of the man "above Time" she wrote:

> "There are also men 'outside Time' or rather 'above Time'; men who live, here and now, in eternity; who (directly at least) have no part to play in the downward rush of history towards disintegration and death, but who behold it from above - as one beholds, from a strong and safe bridge, the irresistible rush of a waterfall into the abyss - and who have repudiated the law of violence which is the law of Time [...]
>
> But the salvation which the men 'above Time' offer the world is always that which consists in breaking the time-bondage. It is never that which would find its expression in collective life on earth in accordance with Golden Age ideals. It is the salvation of the individual soul, never that of organised society [...]
>
> Men 'outside Time' or 'above Time,' at the most saviours of souls, have, more often than not, disciples who are definitely men 'against Time.' No organisation can live 'outside Time' - 'above Time' - and hope to bring men back, one day, to the knowledge of the eternal, values.
>
> That, all men 'above Time' have realised. In order to establish, or even to try to establish, here and now, a better order, in accordance with Truth everlasting, one has to live, outwardly at least, like those who are still 'in Time'; like them, one has to be violent, merciless, destructive - but for different ends.
>
> Knowing this, the real men 'above Time' are the first ones to understand and to appreciate the wholehearted efforts of their disciples 'against Time,' however awful these might appear to ordinary people [...]
>
> The fallen world can never understand them, i.e., know them, any more than they can understand the fall of man, in which they have no part, as others, who share it, can, and do. And yet, untiringly - like the Sun, far away and omnipresent - they shed their light; that light which is, in our growing gloom, like a glimpse of all the past and future dawns." {2}

This, and those categories, explain much about Myatt's adult life. A man who began as someone "in Time": from the age of sixteen a neo-nazi street activist and thug who served two terms of imprisonment for violence; who on a number of occasions was the bodyguard of Colin Jordan, one of the founders of the World Union of National Socialists; {3} who was convicted of leading a gang of thieves {4} and who was part of Column 88, a para-military neo-nazi group. {5}

Then, some twenty-five or so years later, he became someone "against Time", a 'Theoretician Of Terror' {6} who was alleged to be the author of a document which "provided a detailed step-by-step guide for terrorist insurrection with advice on assassination targets, rationale for bombing and sabotage campaigns, and rules of engagement", {7} a copy of which document was discovered by Police in the flat of David Copeland {8} whose bombs in London in 1999 killed three people and injured over a hundred, and which document was also alleged to have influenced the German group The National Socialist Underground {9}{10} whose members conducted a series of armed robberies and killed nine immigrants.

Someone who in 1998 converted to Islam and before and after the 9/11 attacks publicly supported bin Laden and the Taliban and travelled in the Muslim world supporting Jihad. {11} A copy of Myatt's *The Significance of the Taliban for the Muslim Ummah* was found among the possessions of Osama bin Laden after his killing by US Navy Seals in the Abbottabad compound in 2011 and which copy is now in the CIA archives. {12}

Then, just over ten years later in 2009, a man "above Time" who, rejecting all extremism, political or religious, developed and disseminated the compassionate, non-violent, philosophy of pathei-mathos {13} and who certainly fits what Savitri Devi wrote about such men: that "the fallen world can never understand them."

There is, however, an important exception in Myatt's philosophy to Savitri Devi's men "above Time", for she wrote:

> "The most distinctive trait of the men outside or above Time, as opposed to those who live in Time or against Time, is perhaps their consistent refusal to use violence even in order to forward the most righteous cause." {14}

The exception is that of honour which Myatt describes as "the numinous balance" since:

> "personal honour is essentially a presencing, a grounding, of ψυχή – of Life, of our φύσις – occurring when the insight (the knowing) of a developed empathy inclines us toward a compassion that is, of necessity, balanced by σωφρονεῖν and in accord with δίκη.
>
> This balancing of compassion – of the need not to cause suffering – by σωφρονεῖν and δίκη is perhaps most obvious on that particular occasion when it may be judged necessary to cause suffering to another human being. That is, in honourable self-defence. For it is natural – part of our reasoned, fair, just, human nature – to defend ourselves when attacked and (in the immediacy of the personal moment) to valorously, with chivalry,

act in defence of someone close-by who is unfairly attacked or dishonourably threatened or is being bullied by others, and to thus employ, if our personal judgement of the circumstances deem it necessary, lethal force.

This use of force is, importantly, crucially, restricted – by the individual nature of our judgement, and by the individual nature of our authority – to such personal situations of immediate self-defence and of valorous defence of others, and cannot be extended beyond that, for to so extend it, or attempt to extend it beyond the immediacy of the personal moment of an existing physical threat, is an arrogant presumption – an act of ὕβρις – which negates the fair, the human, presumption of innocence of those we do not personally know, we have no empathic knowledge of, and who present no direct, immediate, personal, threat to us or to others nearby us." {15}

Which might make Myatt's mystical philosophy not only unique but he an exception to most men "above Time" and thus perhaps a new type of such persons be they male or female. As for the "fallen ones" of our fallen world who can never understand those "above Time" they certainly do not appreciate let alone understand Myatt or his philosophy born as it was from his own pathei-mathos. A lack of appreciation and understanding mostly fostered in Myatt's case by decades of antifascist - and now, post-2018, Establishment {16} - propaganda and disinformation and false accusations against him. {17}

However, as Savitri Devi wrote:

"And yet, untiringly - like the Sun, far away and omnipresent - they shed their light; that light which is, in our growing gloom, like a glimpse of all the past and future dawns."

Rachael Stirling
2023
Revised January 2024

°°°°°

{1} A 2019 edition of the book was published by Wewelsburg Archives and is available at: https://archive.org/download/the-lightning-and-the-sun-wewelsburg-archives/The%20Lightning%20and%20the%20Sun%20%28Wewelsburg%20Archives%29.pdf

{2} *Lightning And The Sun*, Wewelsburg Archives edition, p.43f

{3} Nicholas Goodrick-Clarke, *Hitler's Priestess: Savitri Devi, the Hindu-Aryan Myth and Neo-Nazism*, NYU Press, 2000, p.215

{4} David Myatt, *Myngath*, pp.88-89. https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2013/04/david-myatt-myngath.pdf

{5} Nicholas Goodrick-Clark, *Black Sun: Aryan Cults, Esoteric Nazism and the Politics of Identity*. 2001, pp.215-217

{6} *Theoretician of Terror*, Searchlight, issue #301, July 2000

{7} Michael Whine. *Cyberspace: A New Medium for Communication, Command and Control by Extremists*, Studies in Conflict & Terrorism, Volume 22, Issue 3. Taylor & Francis. 1999.

{8} Paul Jackson. *Colin Jordan and Britain's Neo-Nazi Movement*, Bloomsbury Publishing, 2016, p.174.

{9} Ikke så ensomme ulver, https://web.archive.org/web/20150923015005/http://www.nrk.no/ytring/ikke-sa-ensomme-ulver-1.11026908

{10} Daniel Koehler. *The German National Socialist Underground (NSU), in The Post-War Anglo-American Far Right: A Special Relationship of Hate*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2014. pp.134-135

{11} Mark Weitzmann, *Anti-Semitism and Terrorism*, in *Terrorism and the Internet: Threats, Target Groups, Deradicalisation Strategies*. NATO Science for Peace and Security Series, vol. 67. IOS Press, 2010. pp.16-17.

{12} CIA archive: https://www.cia.gov/library/abbottabad-compound. The copy is at http://tinyurl.com/22zb4389

The original is archived at: https://web.archive.org/web/20080611081331/http://www.davidmyatt.info/significance_taliban.html

{13} An overview of Myatt's philosophy is provided in *Misunderstanding Denotata In Myatt's Philosophy Of Pathei-Mathos*, available at https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2022/06/myatt-denotata-part-one-v1.pdf

A more detailed analysis is provided in the third edition of *The Mystic Philosophy Of David Myatt*, available at https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2021/08/myatt-philosophy-third-edition.pdf

{14} *Lightning And The Sun*, Wewelsburg Archives edition, p.45

{15} https://davidmyatt.wordpress.com/honour-the-numinous-balance/

{16} By 'the Establishment' is meant those who in modern Western societies have the power, the means, to influence and to shape 'public opinion' on matters political and social. The Establishment thus includes politicians and the

incumbent government and often the 'political opposition', large often multinational business enterprises, the mainstream Media (especially national newspapers and television and now internet news media and outlets), well-funded special-interest advocacy groups both political and business-orientated; established academics whose work has featured in mainstream publications, and 'independent' or 'freelance' journalists whose work appears in or is cited by the mainstream Media.

Among the false, the dishonourable, accusations are those made by an antifascist, awarded an MBE by the British government in 2016, who in 2019 accused Myatt of still being a neo-nazi and went on to allege that all Myatt's post-2012 writings, and thus his philosophy of pathei-mathos, are "lies; a deception". The character of this Establishment figure, who in 2108 was chosen by the British government as an adviser to their 'Commission for Countering Extremism', was revealed in 1998 when Myatt challenged him to a duel with deadly weapons for spreading lies about him. The antifascist went into hiding for several weeks.

In 2021 Myatt was described by an Establishment policy group as one of the twenty most dangerous extremists in the world: https://web.archive.org/web/20210126120934/https://www.counterextremism.com/content/top-20-extremists

---

This item is in the Public Domain